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SUBJ: YOUTH PARA

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1. YOUTH CATEGORIES:

A. 10 PER CENT YOUNG POLITICAL LEADERS

5 PER CENT YOUNG MILITARY OFFICERS

30 PER CENT YOUT BUREAUCRATS (MINISTRIES OF
FOREIGN AFFAIRS, FINACE AND OIL,
EDUCATION, INFORMATION, AND PLANNING
BOARD.)

10 PER CENT MEDIA

30 PER CENT BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY

5 PER CENT YOUNG LABOR LEADERS

10 PER CENT FACULTIES OF POLITICAL SCIENCE, ECON-
OMICS AND ENGLISH AT KUWAIT UNIVERSITY

B. ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL SECTOR IS OF PRIMARY INTEREST TO
EMBASSY WHEHTER DEALING WITH YOUT OR OTHERS BECAUSE OF SUB-
BUREAUCRACY IS RATED HIGH BECAUSE IT ABSORBS MANY OF EDUCATED
YOUNG PEOPLE WITH WHOM EMBASSY DEALS. ON OTHER HAND, POLITICAL
INSTITUTIONS IN PROCESS OF DEVELOPMENT. DIFFICULT FOR YOUNG
PERSON TO SELECT CAREER IN POLITICIS AT PRESENT. POLITICAL
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LEADERS, SUCH AS PARLIAMENTARIANS, TEND TO BE OLDER MEN WHO HAVE MADE THEIR MARK IN BUSINESS OR ELSEWHERE.

C. EMBASSY DOES NOT EXPECT ABOVE YOUTH GROUPS TO HAVE ANY SIGNIFICANT IMPACT IN NEXT TWO TO FOUR YEARS.

II. OBJECTIVES:

A. 5 PER CENT ASSURE ACCESS TO KEY FUTURE LEADERSHIP.

10 PER CENT CREATE AND MAINTAIN FAVORABLE ATTITUDES TOWARD US.

10 PER CENT PROMOTE UNDERSTANDING OF BROAD US GOALS AND POLICIES.

50 PER CENT FOSTER CLIMATE CONDUCTIVE TO BILATERAL TRADE AND US INVESTMENTS IN FUTURE YEARS.

10 PER CENT HELP STRENGTHEN MODERATE, DEMOCRATIC GROUPS AND INDIVIDUALS.

10 PER CENT ENCOURAGE PRAGMATIC, NON-IDEOLOGICAL APPROACH TO NATIONAL PROBLEMS.

5 PER CENT COUNTER ACTIVITIES OF FORCES HOSTILE TO US INTERESTS.

B. MAIN US INTEREST IN KUWAIT IS COMMERCIAL/ ECONOMIC, WITH STRONG SECONDARY INTEREST IN GOOD RELATIONS ON POLITICAL LEVEL AS WELL.

III. RESOURCES:

10 PER CENT CU INTERNATIONAL VISITOR TRAVEL GRANTS.

30 PER CENT USIA CULTURAL AND INFORMATIONAL PROGRAMING.

40 PER CENT POST REPRESENTATIONAL FUNDS PLUS SUBSTANTIAL OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES EACH OFFICER.

20 PER CENT TRADE PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES.

A. NO SUGGESTIONS.

B. NO SUGGESTIONS.

C. NOT APPLICABLE.

IV. RELATIVE IMPORTANCE:

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A. ABOVE AVERAGE.

B. ABOVE AVERAGE RATING REFLECTS FACT THAT LARGE NUMBER OF KUWAITI LEADERS FALL IN YOUTH CATEGORY AND ARE THEREFORE COVERED IN NORMAL EMBASSY EFFORTS REACH KUWAITIS. EMBASSY ALSO EXPECTS ABOVE AVERAGE

EFFORT WILL HAVE TO BE MADE IN FUTURE TO REACH YOUNG MILITARY AND
YOUNG LABOR LEADERS.

C. 1. (A) 10 PER CENT

4160 HOURS PER YEAR OR 1"12 MAN MONTHS.

(B) 80 PER CENT CONTACT WORK.

20 PER CENT PROGRAM WORK.

(C) 75 PER CENT STATE

25 PER CENT USIA.

2. 50 PER CENT CU BUDGET.

25 PER CENT USIA BUDGET.

50 PER CENT REPRESENTATION BUDGET.

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